

Last July his sister's stepson, Josef Neuner, also from Hatting, told Weber that he decided to desert because he was afraid of being sent to the Eastern Front whereupon Weber enabled him to hide out in a hut and provided him with food. Neuner has already been sentenced to death by court-martial. His father and mother, who supported his desertion, were previously sentenced.

Interviewer's own information.

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**BIOGRAPHICAL RECORDS**

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NEW YORK, (20) N. Y.

**# 1920**

Austria

December 15, 1943

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|---|---|
| 1) SCHIESSEL, OTTO<br>Linz o. Danube, Upper Austria.<br>Address available in the<br>Management Offices of the<br>Reichsbahn | 2) Diploma engineer. Managing Director<br>(Reichsbahn Direktion's President)<br>of the Reichsbahn in Linz, since 1938,<br>appointed by the Nazis. |
| 3) Born 1881  | 4) In Austria   |
| 5) Austrian   |   |
| 7 and 8) Comes from a middle class family.  |   |
| 9) Married  |   |
| 12) Spent his childhood in Austria  |   |
| 13) Attended high school and college and studied engineering at the   |   |

- 12) Spent his childhood in Austria
  - 13) Attended high school and college and studied engineering at the Technical High School (University status) in Vienna. 1909, he became employed in the Ministry of Communications and worked in the research office for electrification of Alpine railroads. From 1920 to 1925 he worked in the electrical department of the governmental communications and presided over the construction of the Tauernbahn railroad in the electric plant in Malnitz. Later he became vice-manager of the Federal Railroads in Villach, South Carinthia. In 1938 he was appointed personnel chief and later director of railroad constructions. In September, 1938 he became Managing Director of the Reichsbahn in Linz.
  - 16) Since 1934 he was an active pro-Nazi and became a member of the N.S.D.A.P. (official Nazi Party).
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SCHIESSEL  
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- 17) In World War I he was a captain and was probably decorated.
- 19) Lives in good financial circumstances.
- 23) Photo enclosed.

Report covers time up to 1938

Interviewer's own information.

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Reichsbahnverkehrspräsident Schriebl,  
Linz

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Reichsbahndirektionspräsident Schiebel,  
Linz

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#1921

Austria

December 15, 1943

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- 1) GUGGENBERGER, Dr.  
Villach, South Carinthia,  
address available in the  
office of the Reichsbahn  
Director
- 2) Managing Director of the Reichsbahn  
in Villach (Reichsbahndirektionspräsident)
- 3) Born 1883
- 4) In Pisino, Istria (formerly Austria)
- 5) Austrian
- 7 and 8) Comes from a middle class family.
- 9) Married
- 12) Spent his childhood in Trieste
- 13) Attended high school and college in Trieste. Studied Law and Political

- 12) Spent his childhood in Trieste
- 13) Attended high school and college in Trieste. Studied Law and Political Science at the University of Vienna.
- 15) In 1908 he entered civil service with the State Railroad Company in Trieste. He worked in the department of administration and law. In 1918 he was called to the Ministry of Communications in Vienna. In 1929 he became department chief in this ministry with the title Ministerialrat. In September 1938 he became Managing Director of the Reichsbahn in Villach.
- 16) In view of the fact that he was appointed to a high position after the invasion of Austria by the Nazis, there is no doubt that he was a sympathizer of the Nazis and an outspoken Nazi.
- 19) Lives in comfortable financial circumstances.
- 23) Photo enclosed.

Report covers time up to 1938.

Interviewer's own information.

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Reichsbahndirektionspräsident Dr. Guggenberger,  
Villach

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ENGLAND

December 22, 1943

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Heinrich Allina  
London, England (Austrian)

Heinrich Allina was formerly a member of the Austrian parliament, elected in the IX District of Vienna. He was chairman of the Banking and Savings Bank of Employees of Austria. He is about 66 years old. In Parliament he was a Trade Union leader, consulted mainly on Trade Union questions. He did not play a leading part and was not an outstanding speaker. Among the employees, however, he was very popular. He is living in London with his wife. He has two sons, one of which

standing speaker. Among the employees, however, he was very popular. He is living in Londong with his wife. He has two sons, one of which was a journalist and reporter of the "Wiener Journal" but his present whereabouts is not known.

When the Nazis invaded Austria he was arrested and taken to the Dachau concentration camp. After his dismissal he went to Paris and later to London. There he struggled hard for his livelihood and also suffered under the unfriendly behavior of some younger party friends. He finally established the "Austrian Office" intended at first to be a non-party institution without political influence but it did not remain so for long. It was at first constituted by the Austrian political groups in London, i.e., the Monarchists, the Bourgeoisie, and the Communists. The Social Democrats only remained outside this "Austrian Office" because

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ALLINA, Heinrich  
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they did not want to join the Monarchists. Heinrich Allina owing to this conflict was at last expelled from the Social Democratic Party. In 1943 he and his friends left the "Austrian Office" and asked for readmission to the Social Democratic Party. This application is still pending to date.

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#1981

Austria

December 18, 1943

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- 1) DANTINE, Felix
- 2) Former inspector of the Austrian State Railroads. Former Station master of Penzing, (Vienna XIII) Operating railroad service.
- 3) Born about 1889
- 4) Vienna
- 5) Austrian
- 6) Protestant
- 7 and 8) Comes from a middle class family.
- 9) Married
- 10) c) One daughter, about 22 years old, married.
- 11) One brother is a lawyer in Styria.

- 10) c) One daughter, about 22 years old, married.
- 11) One brother is a lawyer in Styria.
- 12) Spent his childhood in Vienna.
- 13) Attended high school and college and railroad training school.
- 14) During World War I he was in Russia, Poland, the Balkans and Germany.
- 15) Became a railroad official of the State Railroads (operating service) and was employed at several large stations. Last he was station master of Penzing. He retired of his own volition when the Nazis invaded Austria in 1938.
- 16) A very strong democrat. Has never had any connection with the Nazis. He was the chief leading member of the executive committee of the Austrian Railroadmen Trade Union, and referee of the Central Committee and has excellent personnel and material knowledge, a thorough expert.
- 17) Received several decorations in World War I.

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DANTINE, Felix  
(continued)

- 19) Lives in good financial circumstances.
- 21) physiological: tall, blond, blue eyes, very nice appearance;  
intellectual: very intelligent and a good speaker;  
emotional: absolutely fearless, ready to make sacrifices, very dependable,  
faithful, energetic, and purposeful;  
operational: has many friends, but lives a retired life.

He has outstanding information, not only about the operating personnel, but also about the higher railroad officials. He enjoys the confidence of the railroadmen in a perfect measure and is widely known, popular, and respected. He would be qualified to take the position of a manager of the personnel service or that of general manager of State Railroads (Generaldirektor). He is definitely a key personality. He could name desirable persons to fill all important vacancies.



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Report covers time up to 1943.

Source: 10.009

Memory: Excellent

Judgment: "

Objectivity: "

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#1990

Austria

December 18, 1943

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- 1) OSTERSETZER, Berthold  
Vienna IV, Address available  
in the telephone directory or  
management office of the State  
Railroads.
- 2) Former chief of operational service  
of the Austrian State Railroads Lines  
leading to the Hungarian border, with  
the title of "Oberbaumeister". (Vorstand  
der Streckenleitung Wien-Ostbahn),  
retired.
- 3) Born 1883
- 4) Vienna
- 5) Austrian
- 6) Catholic, formerly Jewish.
- 7 and 8) Comes from a middle class family.
- 9) Married
- 10) c) Has a son, about 27 years old, former active army officer who was

- 9) Married
- 10) c) Has a son, about 27 years old, former active army officer who was dismissed by the Nazis because of racial prejudice. He thereupon became a technical engineer; at present probably drafted.
- 12) He grew up in Vienna.
- 13) Attended high school, college and technical high school (University); became a construction engineer.
- 14) In World War I he was in Poland and Russia, and in post-war time he traveled a great deal in Germany in his service.
- 15) Entered state service as a railroad official; was construction engineer. He directed the construction of the railroad bridge across the Danube at Stadlau, Vienna. (Donaubruecke bei Stadlau). Was appointed "Oberbaurat".
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OSTERSETZER, Barthold  
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- 16) A staunch democrat, definitely anti-Nazi.
- 17) In World War I he served in a railroad detachment (Eisenbahnregiment) and was decorated.
- 19) Lives in comfortable circumstances.
- 21) physiological: medium height, a little stout, reddish graying hair, wears glasses;  
intellectual: highly intelligent, excellent construction engineer;  
emotional: energetic;  
operational: not unsociable, but retiring.
- 24) Speaks some English and French.  
Should be of great service in his former capacity of construction engineer.  
Report covers time up to 1943.  
Source: 10,009  
Memory: Excellent

Report covers time up to 1943.

Source: 10,009

Memory: Excellent

Judgment: "

Objectivity: "

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## # 1991

Austria

December 18, 1943

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| 1) KAAN, Ernst<br>Vienna- Address available<br>in the telephone directory or<br>at the offices of the State<br>Railroads | 2) Former manager of the electric<br>power division of the State Railroad. |
| 3) Born 1879   | 4) In Vienna   |
| 5) Austrian  | 6) Protestant  |
- 7 and 8) His father was a high government official in a ministry with the  
title "Sektionschef".
- 9) Married or divorced.
- 10) His wife is a Protestant Englishwoman.

- 9) Married or divorced.
- 10) His wife is a Protestant Englishwoman.
  - c) Two children
- 11) His brother held the same position as their father.
- 12) Grew up in Vienna.
- 13) Attended high school, college, technical high school (University); became a diploma engineer.
- 15) Entered government service as an official of the State Railroads; worked in the electrical and engine department; in the communications ministry as chief of the department; finally for several years as manager of the electric power department of the State Railroads. Retired.
- 16) A dependable democrat.
- 17) Decorated in World War I.

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KAAN, Ernst  
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- 19) Lives in comfortable financial circumstances.
- 21) physiological: medium height, slim, gray hair, blue eyes, very pre-possessing;  
intellectual: highly intelligent and purposeful;  
emotional:  
operational: very clever in handling people.
- 24) Speaks English.

He is highly recommendable to be re-established in his former position as managing director of the Electric Power Division of Railroads.

Report covers time up to 1943.

Source 10,009

Memory: Excellent

Judgment: "

Objectivity: "



Memory: Excellent

Judgment: "

Objectivity: "

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December 18, 1943

Austria

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X

- 1) ~~TOEPFER~~  
Address available in the  
office of the State Railroad  
Direction
- 2) President of the State Railroad in  
Vienna
- 3) Born about 1882
- 5) Austrian
- 7 and 8) From a middle class family.
- 12) Spent his childhood in Vienna.
- 13) Attended high school, part of college and part of technical high school  
(without graduating).

- 13) Attended high school, part of college and part of technical high school (without graduating).
- 15) Before the Nazis occupied Austria, he was employed in the general management offices of the State Railroad in a non-executive position. In March, 1938 the Nazis appointed him to the position of a commissary of operating service. (Kommissarischer Leiter der Betriebsdirektion) In April 1938 he became commissary of the State Ministry of Communications and in November 1938 he attained the position of President of the State Railroad Direction in Vienna.

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TOEPPER  
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- 16) One of the most dangerous Nazis.
- 19) Lives in very good financial circumstances.
- 23) Photo enclosed.

He should be eliminated immediately.

Report covers time up to 1938.

Interviewer's own information and Source 10,009

Memory:	Excellent
Judgment:	"
Objectivity:	"

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Technische Direktionspräsident, T. C. C.

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Reichsbankdirektionspräsident, Dr. Fritz  
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# 1993

December 18, 1943

Austria

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X

- 1) SCHNEE, Emil  
Vienna XV - Address  
available in the Viennese  
telephone directory or the  
management office of the  
Westbahn
- 2) Station master of the Station Wien  
Westbahnhof in Vienna ( the most  
important line in Austria, leading to  
Switzerland and Brennero)
- 3) Born about 1887
- 4) Probably in Vienna
- 5) Austrian
- 6) Catholic
- 7 and 8) Comes from a middle class family.
- 12) Spent his childhood in Vienna.
- 13) Attended high school, part of college and railroad training school.

7 and 8) Comes from a middle class family.

- 12) Spent his childhood in Vienna.
- 13) Attended high school, part of college and railroad training school.
- 15) Entered government service, became station master.
- 16) Definite anti-Nazi, however not active in politics.
- 19) Lives in comfortable circumstances.
- 21) physiological: medium height, slim, gray hair, mustache, wears glasses;  
intellectual: highly intelligent, an expert on railroad operations, with great skill and experience. The station he operated ran about 200 trains daily in peace time.

emotional: very efficient and energetic.

Highly recommendable for a leading position in the railroad operating service.

Report covers time up to 1943.

Source 10,009

Memory:      Excellent      Judgment:      Excellent      Objectivity:      Excellent



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## # 1994

December 18, 1943

Austria

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- 1) SCHWARZ, Norbert  
Vienna IV. Address  
available in the telephone  
directory or the office  
of the Westbahn.
- 2) Former construction engineer of the  
Westbahn, and vice-president of the  
Streckenleitung.
- 3) Born about 1882.
- 4) Vienna
- 5) Austrian
- 6) Catholic (converted)
- 7 and 8) Comes from a middle class family.
- 9) Married

7 and 8) Comes from a middle class family.

- 9) Married
- 10) His wife is a Catholic (Aryan).
- 12) Grew up in Vienna.
- 13) Attended high school and college as well as technical high school (University).
- 14) In World War I he was in Germany.
- 15) Entered government service as a railroad official of the Westbahn (the most important railroad of Austria) which runs from Vienna to the Swiss border and has connection via Innsbruck to the Brenner pass. In his last position he was vice-president of the Westbahn.
- 16) A dependable democrat.
- 17) In World War I he was a technical officer in the Army, and was decorated several times.

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SCHWARZ, Norbert  
(continued)

19) Lives in good financial circumstances.

21) physiological: medium height, slim, dark graying hair, wears glasses.

intellectual: highly intelligent;

emotional: very active;

operational: not unsociable, but retiring.

24) Speaks some English and French.

Highly qualified for a leading position.

Report covers time up to 1943.

Source 10,009

Memory: Excellent

Judgment: "

Objectivity: "

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Judgment:

Objectivity: "

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# # 1995

Austria

December 18, 1943

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| 1) HEFFETER, Ernst   | 2) Former manager of the Construction and Maintenance Department of State Railroads (Baudirektor der Oesterreichischen Bundesbahnen) |
| Vienna address available in the telephone of Lehmann directory or at the Management of the Austrian State Railroads. |  |
| 3) Born 1881   | 4) Vienna  |
| 5) Austrian  | 6) Catholic  |
| 7 and 8) Comes from a middle class family.   |  |
| 9) Married   |  |
| 10) c) Several children  |  |
| 12) Spent his childhood in Vienna.   |  |

- 10) c) Several children
- 12) Spent his childhood in Vienna.
- 13) Attended high school, college and technical high school (University status)  
Became a construction engineer.
- 14) Traveled a great deal in Germany and other countries.
- 15) Was employed with the Suedbahn (at that time private enterprise) which  
was taken over by the government in 1919 and remained until the Nazis  
dismissed him with a reduced pension in 1938. He was a leading functionary  
of the State Railroads, first vice-president and later managing director  
of the Construction and Maintenance of the State Railroads.
- 16) Definitely anti-Nazi. He never fell under the Fascist influence even at  
the time of its greatest popularity under the Schuschnigg regime. He  
has, however, not taken active part in politics.

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HENFETER, Ernst  
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- 19) Lives in good financial circumstances.
- 21) physiological: tall, slim, good appearance, dark graying hair, clipped mustache;
- intellectual: highly intelligent;
- emotional: very active and energetic, thoroughly qualified for a leading position;
- operational: not unsociable, but retiring.
- 24) Speaks some English and French.

He should be re-established in his position as manager of the Construction and Maintenance Bureau as he is a thorough expert.

Report covers time up to 1943.

Source 10,009

Memory: Excellent

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Memory:                      Excellent

Judgment                      "

Objectivity:                      "

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# #2007

Austrian in England

December 30, 1943

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Professor Dr. Friedrich Hertz  
37 Conningham Road  
London NW 11, England

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HERTZ, Professor Dr. Friedrich, was born March 26, 1878 in Vienna. He comes from a wealthy Jewish family. His parents owned a villa in Vienna XIX Cimanigasse. He studied Law and Economics at the Viennese University and published while still a young student a treatise titled "Die agrarische Frage im Verhaeltnis zum Sozialismus" ("The Problems

University and published while still a young student a brochure titled

"Die agrarische Frage in Verhaeltnis zum Sozialismus" ("The Problems of Agriculture in the Relationship to Socialism"). At this time he was a member of the Social Democratic organization of university students and belonged to the right wing. His studies were continued at the University of Berlin and later he returned to Vienna where he became the secretary of the Industrialists Company (Industriellen Verband). He had left the Social Democratic organization.

In World War I he served as a non-commissioned officer in the Medical Corps. After the war he again joined the Social Democratic party. He entered government service and became a department chief (Hofrat) in the State Chancellery of State Secretary, Karl Renner in 1920. In 1928 he published "Produktionsgrundlagen der oesterreichischen Industrie". A few years later he went to Germany where he lectured at the University of Halle o. Saale from about 1925 until 1933. The Nazis raised unfounded

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HERTZ, Professor Dr. Friedrich  
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suspicions against him and endeavored to involve him in the Reichstag fire. The reason for this was a publication of his in 1904, entitled "Culture and Race" the third edition of which appeared in 1925 under the title "Modern Race Theory". In this book he violently attacked the Nazi ideology. He left for Austria in 1933, and in 1938, when Hitler invaded Austria, he fled to London where he is living at the present time. He owns a little house in Golden Hill. In London he concerned with the refugee problem, working in the Bloomsbury House. He was the center of the Viennese anti-Nazi democratic circles. He is at present vice-chairman of the recently founded "Austrian Committee" and represents in it the Democratic group, which, although small, comprehends very valuable members.

Friedrich Hertz is married. His wife, nee Hirsch, comes from a wealthy

very valuable members.

Friedrich Hertz is married. His wife, nee Hirsch, comes from a wealthy Viennese Jewish family and is a medical doctor. His son, an engineer, is probably serving in the army; his daughter is married.

Friedrich Hertz is tall, of distinguished appearance, blue eyes, white hair, clipped mustache. He is very courteous; a kind-hearted, helpful friend; a renowned scientist; a lover of books (he has a vast library); he is very sociable and receives many friends at his house. He is a definite anti-Fascist and greatly opposed to the Hapsburg. He speaks French and English fluently.

Interviewer's own information.

Report covers time up to 1943.

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Austrian in England

#2008

December 30, 1943

X

Dr. Oscar Pollak  
Bureau of the Austrian Socialists  
31 Broadhurst Gardens  
London NW 6, England

POLLAK, Dr. Oscar, comes from a middle class Jewish family of Vienna. He studied Law at the University of Vienna and became a journalist. After World War I he joined the Social Democratic party. He worked on the editorial staff of the "Wiener Arbeiter Zeitung" and became the chief editor of this daily paper after the death of Friedrich Austerlitz in 1932. After the defeat of the workers by Dollfuss in 1934 he worked

chief editor of this daily paper after the death of Friedrich Austerlitz in 1932. After the defeat of the workers by Dollfuss in 1934 he worked secretly until 1938 in Vienna and belonged to the Revolutionary Socialists. (R.S.) party. Later, however, in London, he turned back to the ideology of the original Social Democratic party. When Hitler invaded Austria in 1938, he emigrated to Paris, France, where he was a journalist of the Social Democratic magazine "Der Kampf". Shortly before the German occupation of Paris he escaped to Montauban in Southern France. A few months later he went to London via Portugal. Here he became a member of the London Office of Austrian Socialists. At present he is the secretary of the new Austrian Committee.

Oscar Pollak is about fifty-five years old, married to Marianne, nee

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POLLAK, Dr. Oscar  
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Springer, who was active in the Social Democratic Women's organization in Vienna. He speaks English and French fluently and he is a very good translator.

In 1941 Oscar Pollak published a book about the breakdown of France with the preface written by H.N. Brailsford, a famous journalist of London. He also published a pamphlet discussing the problems of the Communists.

He is tall and slim, has dark graying hair and dark eyes. He is an excellent newspaperman and very intelligent.

In Austria and Vienna he was known only in the party circles and has never run for official office. In spite of his extensive journalistic activities he has never become really popular. He represents the typical intellectual rather than the popular labor leader. He was not a leading

activities he has never become really popular. He represents the typical intellectual rather than the popular labor leader. He was not a leading personality of the Austrian worker movement.

Interviewer's own information.

Report covers time up to 1943.



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# #2009

Austrian in England

December 29, 1943

X

Franz Novy  
Office of the Austrian Socialists  
31 Broadhurst Gardens  
London NW 6, England

NOVY, Franz comes from a Viennese factory workers' family, Vienna XVI. He became a construction worker and was active in the Social Democratic party since his youth. In 1928 he became secretary of the Construction Workers' Union, and in 1932 he was elected member of the City Council for the XVI District. After the defeat of the working class in February 1934 he emigrated to Czechoslovakia and

of the City Council for the XVI District. After the defeat of the working class in February 1934 he emigrated to Czechoslovakia and worked in Bruenn, Moravia, for the Austrian workers movement. In 1938 he left for Stockholm, Sweden where he was until 1942. He then went to London, England as temporary chairman for the Austrian Unions in exile. He is now Chairman of the new Austrian Committee in London.

He did not play a leading part within the party, while in Austria, and was known mostly in his own Construction Workers' Union. He is a good organizer of Trade Unions and an expert in his own professional concerns. He is quiet, fearless, and reliable. He is efficient in spite of a somewhat limited education. He is married and has a son